



## Chefs at Judy's Bella Pizzeria



Shown above is Judy Trudeau, owner of Judy's Bella Pizzeria with her assistant cook Joan Denoncourt. Judy's Bella Pizzeria is now open for business at 295 Springfield St., Agawam. Judy will serve Italian dinners, and feature carry-out service of pizzas and grinders of all combinations.

## Postmaster's Plea

"It's too late to mail early, so please mail now," Acting Postmaster Robert DeForge said today.

"The biggest mail explosion in history is upon us and we need the cooperation of everyone to make sure that the holiday mail is all delivered before Christmas," the Agawam postmaster said.

Mr. DeForge suggested the use of air mail and special delivery to guarantee pre-Christmas delivery, especially for out-of-town mail.

In all instances, the use of ZIP Codes will be helpful. The codes generally mean that mail moves in a more direct route and is handled fewer times. Parcels with ZIPPED addresses may be delivered 24 hours or more before others going to the same destination which do not include the five digit code.

Acting Postmaster DeForge announced that all postal operations will be on a holiday schedule Christmas Day. Only special delivery mail will be delivered on December 25.

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## AHS Junior Class Cabaret Saturday

The Agawam High School Junior class will present the annual cabaret entitled "Silver Bells." The cabaret will be held this Saturday in the High School cafeteria from 8 to 11 p.m.

David Giguere and Jane Stowell are co-chairmen of the event assisted by Mrs. John Porter.

## AHS FOOTBALL PLAYERS HONORED

Coach Harry Leonardi had high praise for seven Agawam High School boys named Sunday to the All Western Mass. and the AA Conference Schoolboy grid teams.

Singled out for this high honor were Ron Penna, fullback, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Penna of High St.; Paul Gaziolo, tackle, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Gaziolo of Leonard St.; John Connelly, guard, son of Selectman and Mrs. Edward Connelly of River Rd.; and Ron Young, end, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Young of North Westfield St., Feeding Hills.

Coach Leonardi said today, "We are also gratified at the selection of three other boys chosen for the AA Conference team; namely, Billy Polepek, Jimmy Silvestrini and Billy Turgeon, who I might say is the best quarterback that I have ever had. It is good to know that two of the boys chosen for All Western Mass. team are members of the junior class, namely, Connelly and Young. We will indeed be fortunate to have these two boys back with us next year. The enthusiasm and spirit shown by the entire Brownie team was matched by faculty members and the townspeople, who attended the games. We can surely look forward to a successful '65 football season with this fine spirit of co-operation."

## Honor Graduate.



FORT EUSTIS, Va. — Pvt. George W. Martin, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Martin, Sr., 146 Mill St., Agawam, received a letter of commendation from Capt. John Simons at the Army Transportation School for being the honor graduate of the 6-week Transportation Supply and Parts Specialist Course. He is assigned to Fort Dix, N. J.

## Center P.O. Holiday Hours

For the convenience of the Agawam Center Post Office patrons the following Holiday Hours will be in force:

Thursday, Dec. 17 thru Friday, Dec. 18—8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 19—8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 20—9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 2 to 5 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 21 through Wednesday, Dec. 23 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

## Holiday Hours For Libraries

All Agawam Libraries will be closed Dec. 24, 25 and 26.

The North Agawam library will close at 5 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 31.

## "Y" DIRECTORS' MEETING TODAY

Ernest Swanson, president of the Agawam YMCA announced today that the Board of Directors will meet Thursday, Dec. 17th at his home, 254 North St., at 8 p.m.

The Board will hear reports from the Youth Program Committee, Property Committee and Day Camp Committee. A progress report will be given on construction of the new YMCA Hockey Rink. President Swanson indicated that a large group of volunteers worked on the construction this past Saturday and the rink should be completed by this coming week. Included in the volunteer groups last Saturday were: James Loomis, Ralph Webster, Harry Williams, Robert Smith and son, Bob, Paul Adams, Jr., Vinton Gregory, John Hastings, Robert Swanson, William Catelotti, Ernest Swanson, and Jack Moltenbrey.

## AHS Band Members Yule Reunion Dec. 23

All Agawam High School graduates who have been members of the band or have taken part in the annual musicals are invited to a Christmas reunion at the Agawam High Cafeteria on Wednesday, Dec. 23rd.

The evening program will open with a short concert by the high school "A" band, a new small concert band made up of the 36 highest rated musicians in the high school band membership. The High School Choral will also present several selections.

The main portion of the evening will be given to alumni activities including a song fest, a chance to sing through some of the songs from the various musicals that have been presented over the years. Advance indications are that a good number of the stars of past shows will be on hand and may be persuaded to repeat some of the numbers that were highlights of some of these shows. There will also be a chance to review some of these shows in records and pictures.

Refreshments will be served by members of the AHS Band and Choral Music will also be provided by the two high school dance bands with a chance for alumni to sit in on instrumental groups.

This is the first reunion of this type that has been held at the high school. It is hoped that many former music students will be home from college in time to attend as well as many who are still in the area. There is no charge for the program. All former music students are welcome to this First Christmas Reunion at the AHS Cafeteria—7:30 p.m.—Dec. 23.

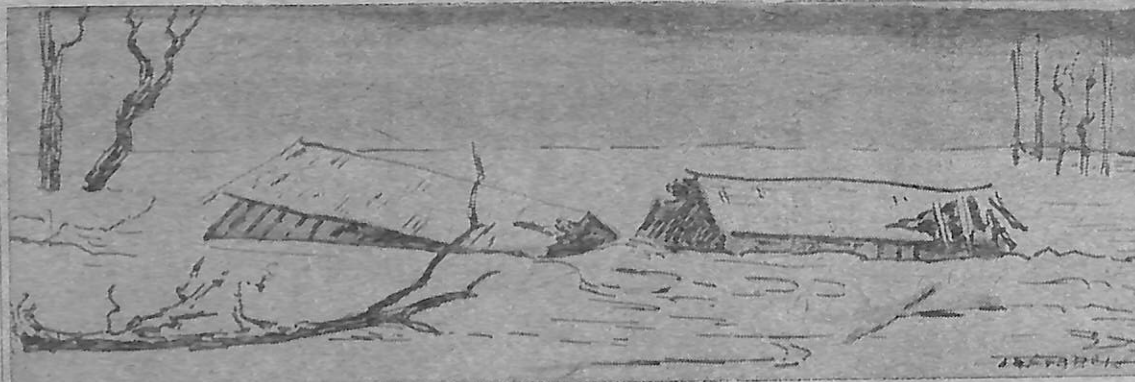
## "Y" Hockey Program Registrations Dec. 19

All boys wishing to play in the Agawam YMCA Hockey program should meet at the YMCA Office, 108 Perry Lane, this Saturday, Dec. 19th at 10 a.m. Boys not registered and attending this meeting will not be eligible to play this season.

All boys should bring copies of their birth certificates with them. Registration cards requiring signatures will be distributed Saturday and must be returned by Wednesday, Dec. 23rd.

## way back when . . .

## DECEMBER FLOOD



December 11, 1878 is remembered as the date of one of the most disastrous floods on the Agawam River.

A heavy snowstorm all day Monday, December 9th was followed by a steady downpour of rain all through Tuesday. As a result the river rose rapidly and soon became a roaring torrent. Above Westfield it burst through the dikes in several places, flooding some of the town's main streets.

At Little River district east of Westfield the county bridge was washed out along with a saw and grist mill.

The next bridge down-stream was Morley's, crossing between West Springfield and Agawam at a point in what is now Robinson

Park. The structure then standing was the third covered bridge built at that point. The first, built in 1803, was destroyed by flood in 1840 and the second was wrecked in 1863. The one taking the pounding of the flood in 1878 had been in use only fifteen years. On that fateful night it too was washed away.

A heavy fog hung over the Valley although above it skies were beginning to clear at last. At times a pale moon lent the fog an eerie visibility. The combination of temperature and moisture produced a good "tobacco damp" when tobacco was pliant enough so that leaves could be stripped from the stalks and packed without danger of crumbling. Making use of this weather,

Milton and Henry Dewey of Dewey St., West Springfield, were working in a barn in May Hollow in Feeding Hills. About 10 o'clock they went out to see how high the river had risen and were in time to see the Morley Bridge go floating by in two sections, a ghost in the fog being carried to its doom by the raging flood.

The bridge was propelled along in company with other debris from up-river, turning and bumping, and on reaching the bridge at Mittineague mills, crashed and piled up against the wooden structure. The force was too much for the old mill bridge and its timbers buckled and tore apart under the impact. The mill bridge also started off down stream. The (Continued on Page 3)

## Providence Hospital Food Sale Wed.

HOLYOKE—The annual food sale of the dietary department of Providence Hospital in Holyoke will be held in the hospital's visitors' lounge on Wednesday, Dec. 23, according to an announcement by Sister Mary Caritas, S.P., supervisor of the department.

This annual Providence Hospital food sale, which is open to the public, will take place from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. Sister Mary Caritas said, with the proceeds being used for various dietary department projects. In conjunction with the food sale, a large cooked turkey, complete with dressing and gravy, prepared by the Providence Hospital chefs, will be awarded the night of the 23rd.

Among the Christmas delicacies offered at the food sale will be pies, cakes, holiday breads and rolls, fruit cakes, cherry rum cake, stollens, home-baked beans and many others.

## Fireproof Your Tree

Agawam residents may have Christmas trees made flame resistant without charge at any one of the three fire stations in Agawam. Spraying will be done from 2 until 5 and from 7 until 9 daily.



## CHURCH NEWS

### BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor  
Mrs. Frank Merchant, Organist  
and Choir Director  
Mrs. Barbara Briggs, Church Secretary

Thursday—1:30 p.m. Ella Bond Circle meet at home of Miss Jennette Bodurtha, Elm St.; 6:30 p.m. Choralier Choir rehearse at church; 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at church.

Friday—3 p.m. Melody Choir rehearse at church; 7 p.m. Senior BYF meet at Church and then go carolling in the community.

Sunday—9 and 11:10 a.m. Two Morning Worship Services . . . Rev. Lockhart will preach services . . . Celestial Choir sing first service and Senior Choir sing second service; 9:30 and 10 a.m. Church School for all; 6 p.m. Junior High BYF meet at church; 6 p.m. Senior BYF meet at church.

Tuesday—7 p.m. Celestial Choir rehearse at church.

Wednesday—10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Trading Post open; 7 p.m. ABC Bell Ringers rehearse at church.

### CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister  
Mrs. Andrew G. Toussaint,  
Minister of Music

Friday—8 p.m. Boy Scouts; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal; 8 p.m. Merriweds Square Dance.

Saturday—8:45 a.m. Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday—9 a.m. Church School

### Single House for Rent

7½ rooms, Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. Call RE 4-7369 up to 6 p.m. — Call RE 4-6736 after 6 p.m.

Nursery-Grade 6; Church at Morning Worship; 10 a.m. Adult Bible Class; Church School Grades 7-12; 11 a.m. Church Nursery-Grade 6; Church at Morning Worship; 6:30 p.m. Senior Pilgrim Fellowship Pageant. "Joy To the World"; Senior High Choir rehearsal; 11 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelighting Service, Sermon by Rev. Bryan.

### FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.

Rev. Arthur N.weeney, Pastor  
Mrs. Frederick Nardi, Organist  
Mrs. David Meyer, Jr. Choir Dir.  
Mrs. Aileen Kellogg, Jr. Choir Assistant

Thursday—6 p.m. Junior and Cherub choir rehearsal; 7 p.m. Senior choir rehearsal.

Sunday—9:30 a.m. Church School; 11 a.m. Worship Service . . . nursery and kindergarten in session; 6:30 p.m. Junior and Senior Pilgrim Fellowship and adults Christmas Caroling . . . refreshments will follow at the church for all carollers.

Monday—6:30 p.m. Christmas Creche and tree-lighting ceremonies on the village green . . . everyone is cordially invited.

### LAY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister  
Mrs. H. Binns, Organist  
Mrs. M. Keyes, Sr. Choir Director  
Mrs. R. Ashton, Jr. Choir Director

Sunday—10 a.m. Worship Service—No Church School; Christmas Anthems by both Junior and Senior Choirs. Sermon topic: "Christ-Like Brotherhood"; 7 p.m. Church School program; Christmas Carols, motion picture, and Santa Claus.

Thursday—11 p.m. Candlelight

### ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Dominic A. Ruscetta, CPS Rector.  
Rev. James T. Cunningham, CPS, Assistant.

Mass Schedule  
Sundays: 7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m.  
Weekdays: 7 a.m.  
Tuesday—7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

### VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister  
Mrs. John Cesan, Secretary  
Mrs. John MacPherson and Mr. Harry Prior, Music Directors

Sunday—10 a.m. Morning Worship Service at Storowtown Church . . . Sunday School in session; 2:30 to 4 p.m. Sunday School Christmas party.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held at 11:30 p.m. At 7 p.m. until about 9 that evening will be carolling throughout the community.

### BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church—Second Sts.  
West Springfield, Mass.  
Pastor John N. Garner

Thursday evening—Basketball practice.

Friday—7:30 p.m. Christmas program will be presented by the Bible School children . . . refreshments will follow.

Saturday—8 a.m. to noon, work day at the church.

Sunday—9:45 a.m. Bible School for all ages; 11 a.m. Morning Worship Services . . . Sermon by Pastor Garner. Nursery during Bible School and morning service; 6 p.m. Young People meet at church; 7 p.m. Evening Service conducted by Mr. Garner, followed by a special business meeting.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m. "Hour of Power," midweek prayer meeting and service.

Ice near the melting stage at 32 degrees Fahrenheit is much more slippery than ice near the zero-degree mark. Watch out for patches of ice as you drive this winter. This reminder on winter driving is from the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

### Round The Town



By Ann Nael  
phone ST 8-8996

"Silvered" and surprised with a party were Mr. and Mrs. John Baumann of North Westfield St., Feeding Hills, given by their daughter, Linda, a junior at Agawam High School. Linda was assisted by Mrs. Perry McCobb, Mrs. Lionel Blanchard and Mrs. Raymond Sparrow, all of Feeding Hills, and Mrs. Charles McCobb of Agawam. Out of town guests were the John Kindnesses of Chicopee Falls, the Robert Twines, the George Unwins, Mrs. Maude Somers, the Edward Hervieux, all of Springfield. Mr. Gary Gentile of Belchertown, the John McCarthys, Perry McCobb, Mrs. Ann Jenny and the Misses Barbara Tobin of River Road and Susan McCarthy of Feeding Hills.

Mr. and Mrs. Baumann were married Dec. 2, 1939 in Pelham, N. H. Mrs. Baumann was a native of Manchester, N. H., and Mr. Baumann a native of Forest Hills, N. Y. They have lived in Feeding Hills for seventeen years. Besides Linda, they have a son, William, in the U. S. Marines.

On Dec. 2 they celebrated with a family dinner party at Vincent's Steak House, given by their daughter Linda, and her escort, Mr. Gary Gentile.

Philip G. Nassif, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Nassif of Main St., Agawam, has been named to the honor roll for the first quarter at Nichols College of Business Administration in Dudley, Mass. A freshman, he is one of 16 members of his class to be named to the honor roll for this quarter.

Miss Marsha Della-Giustina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Della-Giustina of Albert St., and Miss Nancy Schmidt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schmidt of Silver St. will arrive home this week to spend the Christmas holiday with their families.

The two Agawam High School graduates are members of the freshman class of Russell Sage College in Troy, New York.

Marsha writes for the weekly campus newspaper, THE QUILL, and is a member of the Newman Club. Nancy is a member of the Russell Sage Choir and is a member of the Canterbury Club.

### Bible Baptist Yule Program Friday

A Christmas program will be presented by the Bible School children of Bible Baptist Church of West Springfield Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the church auditorium. The public is invited.

Pastor John N. Garner announced that James Merriman, Bible School superintendent, will preside. In charge of planning are Mrs. John Garner and Mrs. Harvey McAdam.

The children will sing Christmas carols in conjunction with a color slide narration of the Christmas Story presented by the Junior and Junior High School groups. Narrator will be David Merriman.

Recitation of Bible verse will highlight the Primary Department's presentation entitled "God's Greatest Gift."

Hostesses for refreshments to be served in the church basement following the program are Mrs. Garner, Mrs. Paul Lucia and Mrs. Harold Hall.

### ALCOA WRAP DECORATIONS

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### CALL FROM THE WILDS

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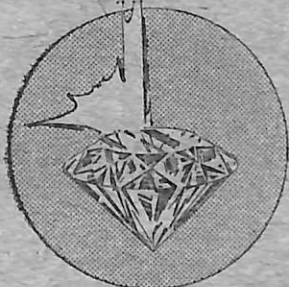
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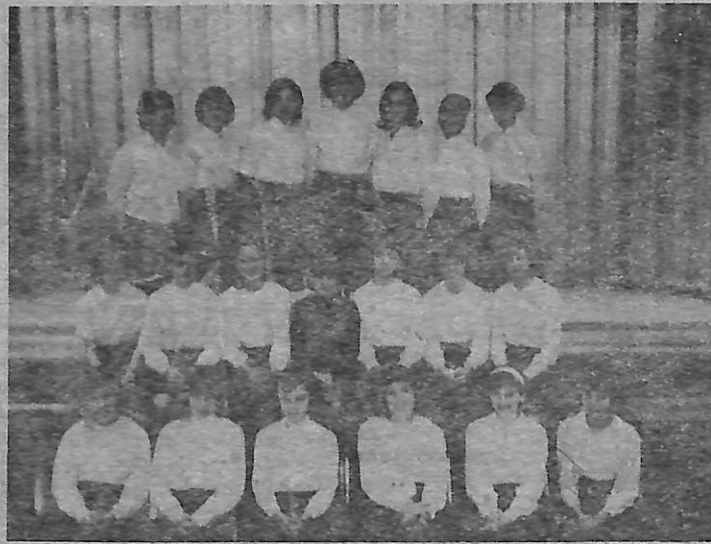




Last night at Tinti's Restaurant, the Agawam Lions Club had their annual Christmas Stag Party, and the highlight was addresses by Rev. Benjamin T. Lockhart of the Agawam Baptist Church and Rev. John P. Shannon of St. John the Evangelist Church. Their talks were very impressive and in keeping with the Christmas season. The Agawam Junior High School Choralettes, under the direction of Mrs. Mary Wuesthoff, entertained with song and carols, and they must be rated one of the leading young groups in the area. Guest of the evening was District Governor Arthur Tinney from Cheshire.

The next meeting will be Jan. 6th, at the Congregational Church hall, and will have as their guests the champion Agawam High School football team with their coaches, managers—a group of

## Junior High Choralettes



50. Chairman Raymond Harris will provide a well-known speaker whose talk will surely be appreciated both by the boys and members alike. Understand it will be on the Olympics held in Japan last summer, complete with slides.

Last week President Nick Zucco delivered a Christmas present to all the ladies who helped out at the Eastern States Food Tent. Their co-operation and assistance certainly was appreciated.

Congratulations to Lion Paul Tatro who was recently appointed acting principal of Classical High School in Springfield.

Our condolences and sympathy

to Lion Charles Tyler on the death of his father last Saturday.

## VWWI CARD PARTY WINNERS

The first in the present series of Card Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War I was held in the National Guard Armory on Maynard Street last Wednesday evening. Door prize winners were: Ed Burton, Gert Vaughn, Tom Bishop and Mae L. Charbonneau.

Acce prizes were won by Sophia Petras and Caspar Lauritsen. Winning the mystery prizes were Belle Smith, Amelia Riggott, and Gertrude Vaughn.

The following prizes were awarded for play: Ladies—1st Betty Dane, 2nd Gladys Cortes, 3rd Emma Piacenza, and consolation Sophie Fitzgerald; Men—1st Albert Tryon, 2nd Tom Bishop, 3rd Clarence Edwards, and consolation Caspar Lauritsen.

This series will continue each Wednesday evening until Jan. 13 at the same time and place. Won't you come and join us? Refreshments are served and a nice time can be enjoyed.

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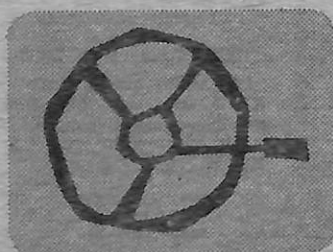
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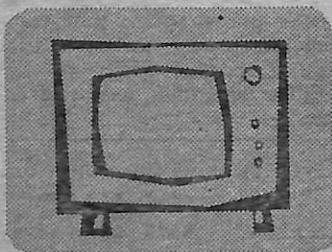
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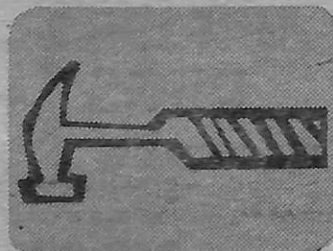
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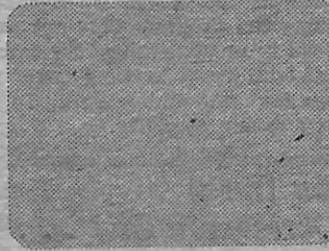
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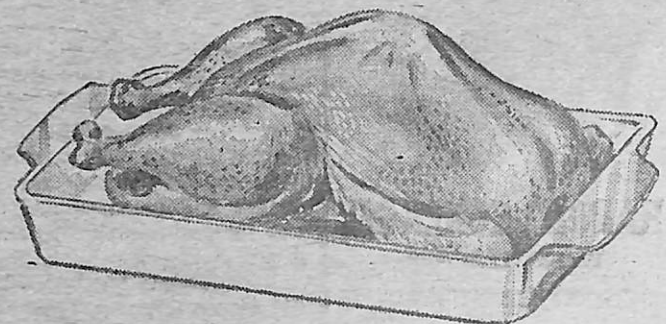
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## State Expenditures

State Comptroller Joseph Alecks reports expenditures of State Funds and Federal Grants amounting to \$843,149,911.44 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1964.

30.1% or \$253,897,964.26 was distributed as state aid to the cities and towns for welfare, health, education, highways, veterans services, etc.

19.7% or \$166,349,997.31 went for the construction of highways and boulevards, the maintenance of the highway system, the administration of the Public Works Department and the Registry of Motor Vehicles and sundry waterway activities.

17.7% or \$149,399,780.25 went for welfare, health and correction.

7.8% or \$65,911,336.02 for education; this includes Youth Service Board, state and community colleges, Massachusetts Maritime Academy, technological institutes, Division of the Blind, other educational functions.

7.4% or \$62,170,000.00 for payments on the direct debt principal.

2.4% for interest on the direct debt of the Commonwealth which amounted to \$20,352,278.76.

2.3% or \$18,944,625.97 was expended as the State's share for pensions of state employees, judges and pensions and annuities for certain veterans and others.

In addition another \$22,310,011.84 represented state aid to cities and towns for teachers' pensions.

12.6% or \$106,123,928.87 was spent for the constitutional offices, Veterans' Services and other

state agencies such as Employment Security, Agriculture, Corporations and Taxation, Public Safety, Government Center, Labor and Industries, Commerce and various other agencies, boards and commissions.

Included in other state aid to cities and towns was \$1,639,034.46 which represented payments to the cities and towns for the loss of taxes.

## PROPOSED STATE BILLS FILED

**Sales Tax:** Several measures for a retail sales tax have been filed for 1965 legislative action. One of the measures was submitted by the Massachusetts League of Cities and Towns.

**Fiscal Aid:** The Massachusetts League of Cities and Towns has filed a bill calling for the state to take over the entire cost of public assistance and veterans' benefits programs. The cost now is shared by the state and the municipalities.

**Excise Tax:** Massachusetts car owners would be given 60 days rather than only 30 days to pay their automobile excise tax bills under a measure filed by the Massachusetts Division, American Automobile Association, through Rep. Arthur Williams, (D) of Andover.

**Driving Age:** The minimum age for drivers in Massachusetts would be raised from 16 years to 18 years under a bill filed by Rep. Patrick W. Nee (D) of Boston.

**Peabody Program:** Gov. Endicott Peabody filed 12 measures, including a bill calling for a constitutional amendment to abolish the executive Council and for appointment of certain major state officials with the consent of the Massachusetts Senate.

Another Peabody bill would direct the Government Center Commission to purchase an executive residence for use by the governor.

In addition the Governor proposed a law to allow education, experience and other qualifications as conditions of taking civil service examinations for certain types of positions.

## Fleming Completes Basic at Great Lakes

GREAT LAKES, Ill. (FHT-NC)—Seaman Recruit Bruce W. Fleming, 18, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Fleming of 204 Suffield St., Agawam, has completed basic training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

The nine-week training includes naval orientation, history and organization, seamanship, ordnance and gunnery, military drill, first aid and survival.

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Tuesday: Oven fried chicken, mashed potato, gravy, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, ice cream cup, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, grilled frankfurt in roll, potato chips, buttered carrots, peanut butter honey sandwich, candy bar., milk.

### JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, grinders (sliced meat, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes), pickles, potato chips, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Meat loaf, parsley potatoes, broccoli, bread/butter, coconut pudding, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, hamburger on bun, green beans, pineapple, oatmeal cookies, peanut butter sandwiches, milk.

### DANAHY

Monday: Ravioli w/meat, tomato sauce, buttered green beans, cheese wedge, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, turkey noodle soup w/vegetables, turkey salad sandwich or peanut butter jam sandwich, celery and carrot sticks, cherry square, milk.

Wednesday: Mashed potatoes, roast beef w/gravy, peas, bread/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

### GRANGER

Monday: Grape juice, grilled frankfurt on bun, relish, mustard, potato chips, cabbage-carrot salad, peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, grilled hamburger on roll, relish, catsup, onions, green beans, Christmas surprise, milk.

Wednesday: Yankee pot roast, mashed potatoes, sliced carrots, breadbutter, fruited jello w/whipped topping, milk.

### PIERCE

Monday: Tangerine juice, frankfurt on hot buttered roll, baked beans, carrot-celery stix, peanut butter sandwich, pears, milk.

Tuesday: Citrus fruit juice, pork pie w/potato puff topping, buttered wax beans, cranberry sauce, peanut butter or bread/butter sandwich, iced cup cakes, milk.

Wednesday: Roast beef in natural juice, parsley potatoes, buttered carrots, jello whipped fruit, Christmas favor, milk.

### PHELPS

Monday: Citrus juice, chicken rice soup, chopped ham relish sandwich, carrot sticks, peanut butter cookie, apple, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg on buttered bun, onion slices, relish, buttered green beans, orange wedges, milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti with cheese, tomato sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, bread/butter, peanut butter jumbos, pears, milk.

### ROBINSON

Monday: Orange juice, hamburger on roll, mustard, relish, buttered corn, cheese sticks, applesauce cake, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg gravy, mashed potato, peas-carrots, bread/butter, fruit cup, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus juice, grilled cheese sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, tossed salad with spinach greens and olives, potato chips, chocolate cake w/butter frosting, milk.

### SOUTH

Monday: Orange juice, steamed frankfurt on buttered roll, buttered peas/carrots, blueberry cake., milk.

Tuesday: Roast turkey in gravy on mashed potatoes, buttered spinach, peanut butter honey sandwich, cranberry sauce, sliced pineapple, milk.

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Beatty, Patricia—The nickel-plated beauty  
Bosworth, J. Allan—Voices in the meadow  
Bradbury, Bianca—Laughter in our house  
Brock, Emma Lillian—Mary makes a cake  
Buckley, Helen E.—Josie and the snow

Cameron, Eleanor—A spell is cast  
Carlson, Natalie S.—The orphelins in the enchanted castle  
Christopher, Matthew F.—Wingman on ice  
Cleary, Beverly—Ribsy  
Coatsworth, Elizabeth—Jon the unlucky  
Coombs, Patricia—Dorrie and the blue witch  
DeJong, David C.—Around the Dom  
DeRegniers, Beatrice—May I bring a friend?  
Elkin, Benjamin—The big jump and other stories  
Fea, Henry R.—The wild one  
Flory, Jane—Clancy's glorious Fourth

Haywood, Carolyn—Eddie's green thumb  
Henry, Marguerite—Little or Nothing from Nottingham  
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Hooker, Forrestine C.—Star: the story of an Indian pony  
Hoyt, Helen P.—The jeweled cross  
Jackson, Caary Paul—Bud plays senior high basketball.  
Kessler, Ethel—All aboard the train  
Kumin, Maxine W.—The beach before breakfast  
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## Trophy Winner



PHYLLIS BRYANT

Phyllis Bryant, 11 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bryant of North West St., Feeding Hills, won the 23" Grand Duchess trophy in Windsor Locks, Conn. She also won first place in the solo contest. Over 500 contestants competed in this NBTA event. Last Sunday, Phyllis, won another first place trophy in a Pawtucket, R. I. competition. She is a student at Farina's School of Baton.

Marino, Dorothy—Buzzy Bear goes camping  
Martin, Patricia M.—The greedy one  
Miller, Edna—Mousekin's golden house  
Miller, Helen M.—Kirsti  
Moody, Ralph—Come on Seabiscuit  
Nesbit, E.—The enchanted castle  
O'Connor, Patrick—The raising of the Dubhe  
Picard, Barbara L.—The faun and the woodcutter's daughter  
Randall, Janet—Jellyfoot  
Rockwell, Anne—Paul & Arthur search for the egg  
Sandburg, Helga—Gingerbread  
Schulz, Clare—Willy Weep the chimney sweep  
Seuss, Dr.—Dr. Seuss's sleep book  
Shulman, Milton—Preep, the little pigeon of Trafalgar Square  
Söderhjelm, Kai—Free ticket to adventure  
Woolley, Catherine—Cathy's little sister

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Alderman, Clifford L.—Stormy knight: the life of Sir William Phips  
Ailiki—The story of William Penn  
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Laffin, John—Codes and ciph-

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ers  
Mannheim, Grete—Farm animals  
Petite, Irving—The elderberry tree  
Pinney, Roy—Animals, Inc.  
Polking, Kirk—Let's go on the Half Moon with Henry Hudson  
Snyder, Louis L.—The first book of the long armistice  
Stevenson, Augusta—Nathan Hale, Puritan boy  
Wadsworth, Wallace—Paul Bunyan and his great blue ox  
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Wolfe, Louis—The deepest hole in the world  
Wood, James P.—The life and words of John F. Kennedy  
Young, Helen—Here is your hobby; doll collecting

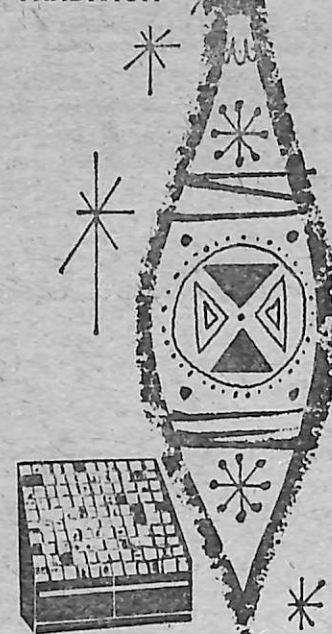
## New Yule Tree Decorates Self

Washington  
A new Christmas tree that grows its own ornaments of decorative cones is being developed. Growers will get the first young trees for field testing in 1967. The new tree—a cross between two pines—has been developed at the Agricultural Department's Institute of Forest Genetics at Placerville, California, in cooperation with the California Christmas Tree Growers Association. The association will receive the first trees for planting. "From its thick dark green foliage this made-to-order tree

grows its own decorative cones at five years of age just as it reaches Christmas tree size," the department said.

The tree is a cross between the Sierra Nevada lodgepole pine and the shore pine.

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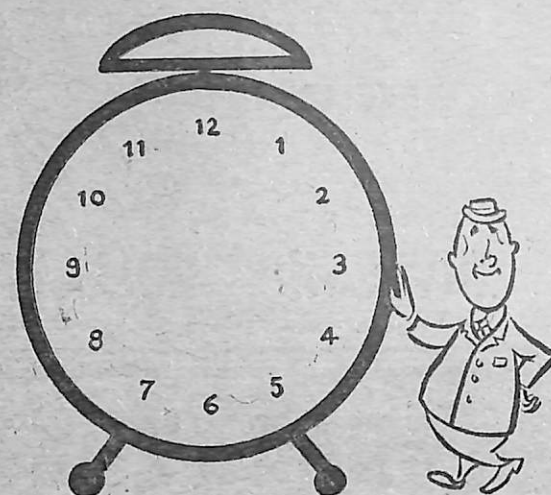
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## SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By Bill Chiba

The Massachusetts Division of Fisheries announces that licenses for 1965 will be in the hands of city and town clerks throughout the state by Dec. 19.

The new license for 1965 will be brightly colored in a red-orange, and will be on a heavy water resistance paper. The hunting form will contain not only the deer tag you must put on the deer, but also an optional coupon

you can use to make the written report by mail that is required of every successful deer hunter.

If you're buying a license as a Christmas gift, clerks will appreciate it if you bring the recipient's last year's license along with you to provide the personal description data, or at least have all the information as to age, address, physical description, date and place of birth with you.

The final deer totals from the New England States are starting to roll in, with the most disturbing total shaping up right here in Mass. We doubt that the total kill for deer week in this state will reach 1500. The weather conditions, or I should say the conditions left by the weather, did not make for good hunting of deer. The heavy ice coated trees and snow covered pine and hemlock trees created poor visibility in the swamps where the deer were hiding and resting out the adverse weather. Very few hunters strayed into the woods in search of the deer. Instead, they road hunted the entire week in hopes of seeing a deer flushed by some persistent hunter who had the fortitude to "go in after them."

Maine's final tally is 35,317 and according to the officials it has been a good season for the state. Last year's total was 29,839, the record kill being 41,735 set in 1959. Vermont's buck kill has reached the astronomical fig-

ure of 14,416 which is an all time record for the Green Mountain State. New Hampshire's deer harvest so far this year has reached 7111 with more reports expected to come in. Last year's final tally was 8645 which is far behind the record year of 1951 when a harvest of 11,537 was reported.

If the job of defrosting the refrigerator falls upon your shoulders this tip can save you time and trouble. After removing the contents of the refrigerator, light a can of "Stern Canned Heat" and set it inside the ice-box. This makes the defrosting quick and easy, because "Stern" burns hotly and safely, without smoke or odor.

## Join Little Fellas Gals Gym Class

Jack Moltenbrey, general secretary of the Agawam Community YMCA announced today that members may join the Little Fellas and Gals Gym Classes at any time. The program, which started last week is for boys in grades 1 through 4 and girls in grades 1 through 6.

The boys meet from 10:30 to 11:30 with the girls program following from 11:30 to 12:30. Both programs are held at the High School Gym with Harry Leonardi serving as instructor.

The class will meet this Saturday and will then stop for the holidays. The class will resume on Jan. 9th and continue through to Feb. 27th.

## Don't Call Police: Call a Taxi!

Woodstock, Vt. The 2800 residents of this picturesque community have been asked to keep their demands on the town police departments to a minimum. The town has no police cruiser.

It all started when the old cruiser broke down and delivery of a replacement was held up because of a strike which halted auto production.

Police chief William Durfey was using a substitute provided by the local dealer through whom the new car had been ordered. But the state motor vehicle department ruled it was illegal to use dealers' plates on a police car.

Now, Chief Durfey has urged residents not to call the police unless it's a real emergency.

And the chief threatened to resign because of what he called "a lack of cooperation."

## WESTFALL SMILING AGAIN

Mid-November, Eddie Westfall, 24, and the father of four, was just about the unhappiest young man in the National Hockey League.

The angular Bruins defenseman was getting more exercise washing his car than he was during NHL games. Vocal Boston fans had little faith in the Bellville, Ont., native, and as Coach Milt Schmidt's fifth or swing man on defense, Westfall saw only limited ice time.

So precarious was his status on the parent club, the disheartened young man saw no point in transporting his wife and children to Boston from their summer home in Queenston, Ont. With the Bruins management looking over two promising young farmhands, defensemen Don Awrey and Bob Woytowich, it appeared Westfall might again be ticketed to Providence, where he was banished for the latter part of last season's campaign.

Then an injury up front gave Reggie Fleming a regular turn and Schmidt was looking for a penalty-killer to pair with Forbes Kennedy, Westfall got the nod.

A strong skater, Ed threw everything he had into the job and won back the fans' respect. Not only did his swooping attacks break enemy-power-plays-in-the-making, but he began knocking people down. Suddenly he became one of Schmidt's best in a shorthanded situation.

"It sure feels swell again to have that tired feeling after a game," he enthused.

The penalty-killing role was helping Westfall regain his confidence much in the same way it did for another Boston defenseman, Teddy Green, last season.

Last week, when injuries depleted the Bruins' defensive corps, Westfall was called back to the blue line and turned in what Schmidt heralded a "fantastic job, his best game ever."

Boston won that game at Chicago, 4-3 the third in a row the Bruins had taken from the Black Hawks.

Reports were Ed's family was finally on its way to joining him.

Driving on snow or ice is much like walking on snow or ice, says the Registry of Motor Vehicles. Start slowly, avoid moving too fast, stop slowly, and make turns cautiously. Any sudden, quick movement can bring trouble. Smart pedestrians wear galoshes when the season calls for them; they give better traction. Smart drivers use snow tires; and when the going gets real bad, the Registry advises that reinforced tire chains can be of great help.

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## My Beat — A.H.S.

By Adella Gagliarducci

### Hockey

Monday, Dec. 7, the Agawam hockey team played Commerce at the West Springfield coliseum. Agawam pulled a 7 to 1 win over Commerce.

### Assembly

At the assembly that took place Thursday and Friday, the hockey and basketball teams were introduced and the three coaches, Mr. Lion, the junior varsity coach; Mr. Kibbe, the varsity basketball coach; and Mr. Fassnacht, the hockey coach. The coaches asked for the continued support of the student body, that helped the football team during their successful season.

After the teams were introduced the assembly was turned over to the cheerleaders and converted into a rally. The basketball team began its 1964-65 season Tuesday, Dec. 15 against Longmeadow, away.

### National Award

On Friday, at the assembly, Linda Baruaia was presented a certificate for her outstanding achievements in English. She rates among the top students in the nation for her abilities in English.

### Coming Events

The Future Teachers of America will hold their annual Christmas party on Dec. 21. All members are asked to bring a gift to exchange. Refreshments will be served and games will be played.

The words "spice" and "herb" are often used incorrectly. Definitions of each of these, however, have been stated by the American Spice Trade Association as follows: "Spices are parts of plants which usually grow in the tropics. Herbs are always leaves of temperate-zone plants."

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PROMENADERS

By Al and Elaine Taupier

The Promenaders at last Friday's Christmas party took time out for the election of officers. To serve for the coming term are Bob and Edie Gottsche, treasurers; Garry Kane and Cookie Tyburski, secretaries; Rupert and Ethel Kane, refreshment chairmen.

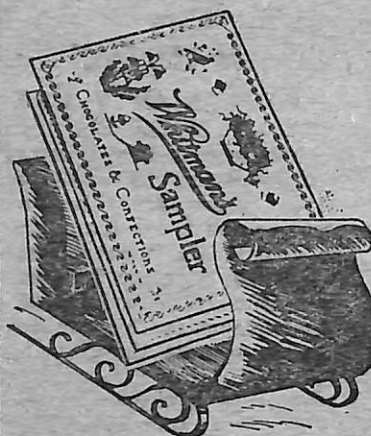
A good time was had by all at the Christmas party. Our thanks to Ed and Ruth Johnson's committee who did such a good job on decorations.

### TODAY'S AGRI-FACT

Lou Webster of the Mass. Dept. of Agriculture reports that the prospect for forest growth in Massachusetts is the best it has been since colonial days. Our ancestors began recklessly stripping our woods. Trees are cut and burned just to make room for more open land to raise crops. Following that for more than a century, wood was the principal fuel. The coming of coal, oil burners and gas has given our beautiful trees a chance to grow luxuriantly. The mature trees are good both for beauty and utility. It takes 75 to 100 years to grow good lumber and in the meantime the trees are friends of humanity.

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#### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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To all persons interested in the estate of FERDINAND S. WOJNAROWICZ late of Agawam in said County of Hampden, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by ROSE D. STAPLETON of said Agawam, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighth day of January 1965, the return day of this citation.

Witness: ABRAHAM J. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventh day of December 1964.  
JOHN J. LYONS, Register.  
(Dec. 17-24-31)

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A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that FLORANCE M. WOJNAROWICZ of said Agawam, be appointed administratrix of said estate without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighteenth day of December 1964, the return day of this citation.

Witness: THOMAS H. STAPLETON, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighteenth day of November 1964.  
JOHN J. LYONS, Register.  
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## LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

by Virginia Catchepaugh

### Unit Yule Party

Unit members will exchange 75c to \$1 gifts at their Christmas Party after the Dec. 21st meeting. Mrs. Jane Whalen and Mrs. Peg Brown will prepare the refreshments.

### Coupons

A reminder in the form of a poem was publicized at the Fall Department Conference:

"Now that school days have come again, start the day with 'Winter Hill.'"

In October let's remember that "Tetley" tea will soothe each member.

For November with Thanksgiving use "One Pie" without mis-giving—

Use "King Arthur" in December, for cakes and cookies we make for Santa.

January for "Prudence Hash" so that father can count his cash—

February is for "Lincoln"—can you think of a better reason?

By March the birds are out of food, "POV" will bring them thru.

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June, school's out again, "Four Fisherman" helps out for luncheon.

July the birthday of our nation, let's all thank God for The American Legion.

In August let's all take a rest—so that in September we can do best."

These are just some of the coupons that will help provide Scholarships for Massachusetts boys and girls. Coupons may be brought to meetings or sent to the Coupon Chairman Mrs. Blood.

### Junior News

The deadline for Junior essays is December 31st. Americanism Chairman Judy Sarnelli will award a prize for the best composition of approximately 200 words titled "What Kind of American Am I?"

### Tree-Wealthy State Accepts One More

Philadelphia Pennsylvania is one of the leading Christmas tree producing states in the Northeast.

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## ZIP Now In Christmas Mail

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This is important to people in all areas of the country, since almost every parcel at one time on its trip goes through these offices. The use of ZIP Codes can save 24 hours or more in the delivery of most parcel post.

"ZIP Codes on parcels means a far less chance of damage because of more direct routing and fewer handlings, but the success of the program hinges on public use of the ZIP Code numbers in addressing packages," he said.

Acting Postmaster DeForge suggested that even if people do not know the ZIP Code of the address to which their mail is going, they should use the code on return addresses. When cards and packages arrive, the five digit return address codes should be added to Christmas lists for use in the future.

ZIP Coded mail from a smaller post office will generally be sent to the nearest main post office or "sectional center." From there, it is sent directly to the sectional center nearest the final destination. In most instances, this eliminates at least one further separation of mail.

By way of illustration, Acting Postmaster DeForge pointed out that a parcel mailed from Long Beach, California to Alexandria, Virginia without ZIP Code must be halted enroute at Cincinnati for further sorting. From there it is sent to the Washington, D.C. sectional center and then forwarded to Alexandria.

If the package is ZIP Coded, it will by-pass Cincinnati and move directly to Alexandria through the Washington sectional center. This usually saves at least 24 hours.

### Kentucky City Boasts No Poll Or Property Tax

Madisonville, Ky. The Madisonville City Council has announced that 1965 will be the 11th straight year without a property or poll tax in the city.

The council did, however, set a levy of 20 cents per \$100 of fair cash value on shares in banks and trust companies. This revenue will go to operate the city library.

Madisonville, a city of 17,000 gets its revenue through the city-owned and city-operated light and water system.

Christians make up the largest religious group in the world, reports World Book Encyclopedia.

The word "crusade" comes from the Latin word "crux," meaning "cross." The Cross of Christ was the official badge of those who joined the Crusades to the Holy Land during the Middle Ages, says World Book Encyclopedia, and the expression "taking the cross" meant becoming a crusader.

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